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FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3943

INFO AMEMBASSY MANILA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY SUVA PRIORITY

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DEPT FOR SY/FO AND NSU; MANILA FOR TSO; SUVA FOR PSO AND CPOIC;
HONG KONG FOR RSS AND RTC

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: CANBERRA REGION SEABEE PROJECTS

REF: (A) PHONECON RSO CANBERRA AND SY/FO (HOLDA) 7/27/78

(B) STATE 190935 (NOTAL)

1. REF A WAS REQUEST FROM TSO TO SY/FO TO EXTEND SEABEE
STAFFORD IN SUVA. REF B TENTATIVELY APPROVED REQUEST AND
ASKED FOR FURTHER JUSTIFICATION.

2. ON RETURNING TO CANBERRA, RSO REALIZED THAT CANBERRA'S
REGIONAL SEABEE MCPEEK IS NOT BEING UTILIZED ON ANY MAJOR
PROJECT PRESENTLY. WITH SEABEE MEATTY ARRIVING ON 4 AUGUST
FOR CANBERRA CONSEC PROJECT (16-18 WEEKS), MCPEEK WILL BE ABLE
TO BREAK HIM IN FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK. AFTER THAT MCPEDK
WILL HAVE LIMITED NUMBER OF PROJECTS IN CANBERRA. BECAUSE OF
DURATION OF CANBERRA PROJECT AND PENDING REGIONAL COMMITMENTS
AFTER TSO HIMMELBERGER RETURNS, RSO DOES NOT BELIEVE
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IT WOULD BE PRODUCTIVE TO ASSIGN MCPEEK TO CANBERRA
PROJECT. IT WOULD BE BEST TO HAVE ONE MAN ON THIS
PROJECT FOR ENTIRE DURATION RATHER THAN TO SWITCH
MIDSTREAM.

3. ACCORDING TO SUVA, STAFFORD WILL COMPLETE PRESENT
PHASE OF CONSEC ON 4 AUGUST AND, EXPECT FOR THE

INSTALLATION OF RESIDENTIAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT, WILL
NOT HAVE FURTHER CONSEC REQUIREMENTS UNTIL CONDUIT
AND AIR CONDITIONING MATERIALS ARRIVE IN SUVA (ETA
15 AUGUST).

4. THEREFORE, TO ECONOMIZE ON MANPOWER AND INSURE
THAT CANBERRA'S SEABEE REMAINS PROFESSIONALLY
OCCUPIED, RSO SUGGEST FOLLOWING:

A. SEABEE MEATTY ARRIVES 4 AUGUST AND IS
INITIALLY INDOCTRINATED CONCERNING PROJECT BY
MCPEEK.

B. SEABEE STAFFORD RETURNS TO NSU O/A
7 AUGUST FOR FURTHER ASSIGNMENT.

C. SEABEE MCPEEK TRAVEL TO SUVA O/A 15 AUGUST
TO COMPLETE VAULT CONSEC AND INSTALL SECURITY
LOCKS IN NOB AND OFFICIAL RESIDENCES. THIS
PROJECT ESTIMATED TO LAST UNTIL 15 SEPTEMBER.

5. ACCORDING TO OUR RECORDS, MCPEDK HAS \$400
REMAINING IN HIS QUARTERLY TRAVEL ALLOTMENT. REQUEST
THIS BE INCREASED BY \$2,500.

6. PLEASE ADVISE.
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